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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: STATE HOUSE INTEREST IN AMERICAN SINGER JAMES BROWN

REF: LUSAKA 2896

1. DOMINIC MULAISHO, PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S ADVISOR ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, ASKED TO SEE THE CHARGE AUGUST 24 TO DISCUSS AMERICAN SINGER JAMES BROWN. MULAISHO SAID BROWN HAD MET WITH KAUNDA AUGUST 21 AND HAD EXPLAINED HIS FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. HE HAD ASKED PRESIDENT KAUNDA TO INTERVENE ON HIS BEHALF WITH PRESIDENT CARTER. BROWN SAID HE WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF PRESIDENT CARTER AND HE WAS SURE THAT IF THE PRESIDENT KNEW OF HIS PROBLEM HE WOULD TRY TO HELP HIM. HIS OWN EFFORTS TO MAKE PRESIDENT CARTER AWARE OF HIS PLIGHT HAD NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL. COULD PRESIDENT KAUNDA TAKE UP HIS CASE WITH PRESIDENT CARTER? KAUNDA AGREED TO DO SO SINCE HE HAS HIGH ADMIRATION FOR BROWN AS A PERSON AND ARTIST. AFTER TALKING THE MATTER OVER WITH HIS STAFF, IT WAS DECIDED THAT BEFORE MAKING AN APPEAL TO PRESIDENT CARTER, STATE HOUSE SHOULD BE BETTER INFORMED ON THE STATUS OF BROWN'S LEGAL DIFFICULTIES. MULAISHO, ACTING ON KAUNDA'S BEHALF, THEN ASKED IF THE EMBASSY COULD BE HELPFUL. CHARGE SAID INFORMATION HAD ALREADY BEEN REQUESTED (REFTEL) BUT HAD NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED. HE PROMISED TO AGAIN REQUEST INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

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2. ACTION REQUESTED: ANY INFORMATION WHICH EMBASSY MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MULAISHO (WE RECOGNIZE THERE MAY BE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION IMPLICATIONS), WOULD BE APPRECIATED. DEPARTMENT PLEASE COORDINATE WITH ICA/ECA, ORIGINAL RECIPIENTS OF REFTTEL. CLINGERMAN

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